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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Yuzo HORIKOSHI et al.

In re the Application of:

Serial No.: 09/492,373

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Dear Sir:

Filed: January 27, 2000

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

INK, INK CARTRIDGE STORING SAID INK AND RECORDING DEVICE For:

USING SAID INK

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Examiner: SHOSHO, C.

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January 16, 2002

In response to the Office Action dated October 16, 2001, please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 23, with the following rewritten paragraph:

A glass transition point of the copolymes is preferably at or below 50°C and further preferably ranges from -30 through 50°C. A softening point of the copolymer according to a flow tester is preferably at or below room temperature and further preferably ranges from 40 through 150°C. The reason why the above glass fransition point and softening point are preferable is that